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SCHOOL POLICY

Discipline

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PURPOSE

Quality Education.

Quality Teaching.

Quality Sports and Cultural Activities.

Quality Mental Development.

INCORPORATING THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMMES

- Code of conduct for learners.
- Life orientation programme.
- Positive classroom management programme:
 - At the beginning of the year the learner receives a “discipline card”.
 - This card gives the learner free access to activities in the classroom as well as access to extramural and school activities during the course of the year.
 - The learner will keep this card by consistent impeccable conduct.
 - Everyone therefore accepts responsibility for his or her own conduct.

- However, if a learner has committed a **CATEGORY 3** transgression (see further on), the card will be taken away from the learner.
- The learner then forfeits access to certain structures, privileges, awards and activities.
- The learner can regain his or her card through consistent good conduct.
- Disciplinary Strategies are designed in a way to build character and to guide the learner to correct bad behaviour.
- This aim can only be achieved if all parties (educators, parents, Governing Body, learners) cooperate. The idea is not to act on rules only, but to establish a value system in learners that will instil good behaviour.

VALUES

- Honesty (integrity, values)
- Self-control (discipline)
- Responsibility (involvement, structure, team-spirited, accountability)
- Common humanity (respect, space, reconciliation, acceptance)

The card system is extended further to four cards that categorise the transgression of learners:

• Green Card – Category 1

- Is handled by the class teacher, subject teacher or trainer.
- Serves as the **FIRST WARNING**.

• Yellow Card – Category 2

- **THREE GREEN CARDS = YELLOW CARD**
- Is handled at mentor level (in grade context).
- Parents are informed in writing of the transgression.
- Serves as **SECOND WARNING**.

• Red Card – Category 3

- **TWO YELLOW CARDS = RED CARD**
- Disciplinary card is removed.
- Parents are informed in writing of the transgression.
- Serves as **FINAL WARNING**.

• Blue Card – Category 4

- **TWO RED CARDS = BLUE CARD**
- Is handled by the portfolio manager.
- Parents are informed in writing regarding the disciplinary hearing by the Governing Body.
- The decisions are rectify by the School Governing Body.

The emphasis is therefore not on the punitive measure, but on good conduct of the learner.

GOOD DISCIPLINE

Home, school, self and life discipline are not negotiable.

A team effort is therefore needed:

- The conduct management of learners concerns all the interest groups in the school.
- Educators, learners and parents should support the project to ensure its success.

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